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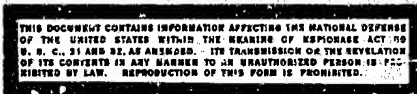
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HWANGHAE-DO PLANTS SPRING WHEAT -- Hwanghae Inminpo, 10 Apr 49

With the arrival of the spring sowing season, farmers throughout North Korea are busy with sowing of spring wheat. In Hwanghae-do, Shong County led in spring-wheat sowing by completing it on 4 March, followed by other counties. By 5 April, all the counties in the province had attained an average of 135 percent of the spring-sowing quota.

The quota attainment by each county in Hwanghae-do in the sowing of double-crop spring wheat is as follows (in percent): Haeju 225, Sariwon 255, Songhua 242, Chagyon 221, Songrim 176, Shong 166, Koksan 166, Chaeryong 151, Oryul 149, Pyoksong 137, Pyongsan 124, Hwangju 119, Pangsang 117, Sinch'on 108, Kach'on 105, Yonpae 92, Suan 88, Singye 75.

Some counties did not attain the quota by 5 April because of unfavorable weather and other conditions.

PEOPLE'S COMMITTEE HELPS SOWING -- Hwanghae Inminpo, 19 Apr 49

The People's Committee in Chagp'ung County, Hamgyong Namdo, met on 9 April and decided to exert all its effort to help farmers in the county to complete the spring sowing operation by way of security for the farmers, the necessary farm equipment and fertilizer. Furthermore, the committee prescribed the planting period for each type of crop in the county as follows: rice (young plants), 15 - 25 Apr; cotton, 25 Apr - 5 May; millet, 10 - 30 Apr; tares, 10 - 30 Apr; kaoliang, 10 - 30 Apr; Indian corn, 20 Apr - 20 May; soy beans, 1 - 30 May; red beans, 15 - 30 Apr; rice transplantation, 20 Apr - 10 May.

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